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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed August 3, 2005, with a five-month period of response expiring on January 3, 2006, applicants respectfully request amendment of the application as follows and reconsideration of the rejected claims based on the following amendments and remarks. Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time to expire on January 3, 2006, to file a Response to the Non-Final Office Action. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and the fee for a two-month extension of time are enclosed.

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